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SUBJ: CHADIAN/LIBYAN BORDER DISPUTE

1. LOCAL PRESS PUBLISHED EXCELLENT ROUNDUP OF CHADIAN
NEGOTIATIONS ON FRONTIER PROBLEM AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION
ON AUGUST 12.

2. IT REPORTED THAT O.A.U. MEDIATION COMMISSION ON FRONTIER
PROBLEM MET ON AUGUST 10 IN LIBREVILLE. CHAD WAS REPRESENTED
BY ITS FOREIGN MINISTER, BUT LIBYAN FOREIGN MINISTER FAILED
TO SHOW UP. LATTER WAS THEREFORE REPRESENTED BY AMBASSADOR
TO GABON. BOTH SIDES APPARENTLY PRESENTED THEIR VIEWS OF THE
FRONTIER WHICH CAN BE SUMMED UP AS FOLLOWS: CHADIAN - THERE IS
ONLY ONE BORDER AND THAT IS THE BORDER WHICH DELIMITED CHAD
ON THE DAY OF ITS INDEPENDENCE; LIBYAN - THERE IS ONLY ONE
BORDER AND THAT IS THE ONE ON THE LIBYAN MAPS. THE COMMISSION
MET AGAIN ON AUGUST 12 AND SET UP SUBCOMMITTEE OF EXPERTS
(JURISTS AND CARTOGRAPHERS) TO STUDY CASE.

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3. CONCERNING NATIONAL RECONCILIATION, TWO PARALLEL MEDIATION
EFFORTS ARE IN TRAIN. THE FIRST, THAT OF PRESIDENT BONGO;
AND THE SECOND, THAT OF NIGERIA/NIGER. A MEETING OF THE LATTER
IS SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 16 IN LAGOS. GENERAL MALLOUM INTENDS
TO BE PRESENT AS DO SOME OF THE REBEL LEADERS. THE FIRST
MEETING OF THE MEDIATION EFFORT BY PRESIDENT BONGO APPARENTLY
DID NOT TAKE PLACE BECAUSE REBEL LEADERS REFUSED TO RESPOND

TO INVITATION (MALLOUM HAD ACCEPTED).BRADFORD

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